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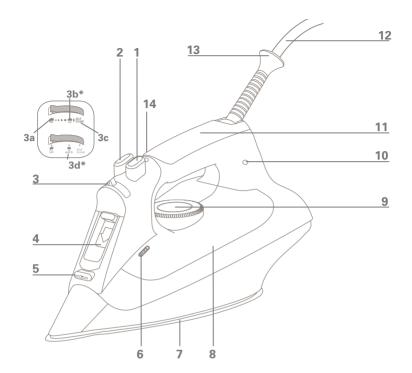
Instruction for use



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#### **DESCRIPTION**

- 1 Burst of steam button 🙈
- 2 Spray button #
- 3 Variable steam control
  - a Dry ironing #
  - **b** Steam ironing
  - c Self Clean → SELF
  - d Autosteam \*
- 4 Water Filling inlet
- 5 Spray nozzle

- 6 Maximum water level indicator
- 7 Soleplate
- 8 Water tank
- 9 Temperature control dial
- 10 Thermostat control light
- 11 Handle
- 12 Cord
- 13 Cord support
- 14 Auto-Off LED

<sup>\*</sup> depending on model

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using an iron, basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:

#### Read all instructions before using

- 1. Only use an iron for its intended use.
- 2. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not immerse the iron in water or other liquids.
- 3. Always turn the iron OFF before plugging or unplugging the iron from the electrical outlet. Never pull on the cord to disconnect the iron from the electrical outlet; instead, grasp the plug and pull on the plug to disconnect the iron.
- 4. Do not let the cord touch hot surfaces. Let the iron cool completely before putting the iron away. Coil the cord loosely around the iron when storing.
- 5. Always disconnect the iron from the electrical outlet before filling the iron with water, emptying the water from the iron, and when the iron is not in use.
- 6. Do not operate the iron with a damaged cord or in the event the iron has been dropped or damaged. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not disassemble the iron. Take it to a qualified serviceman for examination and repair. Incorrect assembly might result in a risk of electric shock when the iron is used after reassembly.
- 7. Close supervision is required for any appliance used by or near children. Do not leave the iron unattended while the iron is connected or on an ironing board.
- 8. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water, or steam. Use caution when you turn a STEAM IRON upside down there might be hot water in the reservoir.
- 9. To avoid a circuit overload, do not operate an iron on the same circuit with another high wattage appliance.
- 10. If an extension cord is absolutely necessary, a cord with an ampere rating equal to or greater than the maximum rating of the iron shall be used. A cord rated for less amperage can result in a risk of fire or electric shock due to overheating. Care shall be taken to arrange the cord so that it cannot be pulled or be tripped over.
- 11. This appliance is not intended for use by children and other persons whose physical, sensory, or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge prevents them from using the appliance

safely without supervision or instruction by a responsible person to ensure that they can use the appliance safely.

- 12. Children should be supervised by the responsible person to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- 13. The iron must be used and rested on a stable surface;
- 14. When placing the iron on its stand, ensure that the surface on which the stand is placed is stable;
- 15. The iron is not to be used if it has been dropped, if there are visible signs of damage or if it is leaking.

# SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 16. The iron must not be left unattend while it is connected to supply mains.
- 17. Always disconect the iron from the electrical outlet, before you leave the room.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

#### Environment

#### **Environment protection first!**

- ① Your appliance contains valuable materials which can be recovered or recycled.
- ⇒ Leave it at a local civic waste collection point.

#### **BEFORE USE**

#### 1 • Unpacking



- Remove soleplate cover before using iron. Remove all packaging from the iron.
- Please read all of the instructions for use and the Important Safeguards carefully.
- It is normal for a small amount of smoke and a light odor to be produced the first time it is used. This will quickly disappear.
- Particles may emit from iron during first use. They are not harmful and should disappear after iron has

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#### 2 • Helpful Hints

- When ironing start with fabrics that require a low temperature setting (•) and finish with those which need the highest temperature (•••).
- Mixed fiber fabrics should be ironed on the temperature for the most delicate fabric. For example a shirt that is 60% cotton and 40% polyester should be ironed at the (•) setting for synthetics.
- If spray starch is used, spray it onto the reverse side of the garment. Allow starch to penetrate before ironing by setting garment aside for 30 seconds.
- For best results, use a mesh type ironing board to allow excess steam to escape.
- For delicate fabrics, we recommend carrying out a test on an unobtrusive area of the garment such as an inner seam.
- Adhere to manufacturer recommendations on garment label.

#### WATER RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 1 • Tap water

Rowenta irons are designed to be used with REGULAR TAP WATER (up to 12 grains of hardness). If your water is harder than this, Rowenta recommends mixing half tap water with half bottled spring water which reduces the hardness; or just use bottled spring water. Never use 100 % distilled water as this can cause the iron to spit and leak.

#### 2 • Softened water

There are many types of household water softeners and the water from many of them is perfectly acceptable for use in an iron. However, some types of softeners, particularly those that use chemicals such as salt, can cause the appliance to leak or spit during use. If you experience this type of problem, we recommend that you try using bottled spring water or untreated tap water. Never use 100 % distilled water.

Once you have changed water it will take several uses to correct the problem. Rowenta recommends trying the steam function for the first time on an old towel or cloth that can be discarded to avoid damaging your clothes.

#### 3 • Iron and other impurities

If your water supply contains large amounts of iron or organic matter, these minerals can collect inside the appliance and eventually appear as brown stains. If you experience these problems Rowenta recommends using bottled spring water.

Never use 100 % pure distilled water.

ALWAYS REMEMBER: Battery water and water containing additives (such as starch, perfume or fabric conditioner condensed water from driers) may not be used. Such additives can affect the properties of the steam and, at high temperatures, can form deposits in the steam chamber, which will mark the laundry when they are emitted through the steam vents.

## Descaling liquids/agents should not be used.

### 4 • Filling with Water



- Ensure the iron is unplugged.
- Slide the variable steam control completely to the left.
- Rest the iron on heel and tilt it forward approximately 1 inch.

If the iron is equipped with a covered filling inlet, open the filling inlet by sliding the cover down.

- Fill with water (containing no additives) to the max mark on the water tank.



- If equipped with filling inlet cover, slide cover to close.



If you need to add water during ironing, UNPLUG the iron and follow the steps above. Ensure iron heats back to temperature afterwards, that means thermostat light will go out.

#### 5 • Selecting the Temperature



Set the iron temperature to suit the type of material using the temperature control dial (fig.3).

Check the garment label for appropriate setting. We recommend using the chart below as a guide.

Ironing label	Fabric	Temperature control
D	Synthetic fibers e.g. viscose, polyester	•
	Silk, wool	••
	Cotton, linen	•••

IMPORTANT! The iron takes longer to cool down than to heat up. We recommend that you start with fabrics to be ironed at a low temperature. For mixed fabrics set the temperature for the most delicate fabric.

TIP Always spray starch onto the reverse side of the fabric and wait 30 seconds before ironing to allow starch to be absorbed.

#### 6 • Dry Ironing



To iron without steam, slide the variable steam control lever to the position.

We recommend dry ironing with an empty tank. Set the temperature for the type of material to be ironed.

#### 7 • Steam Ironing

Steam is only produced when the temperature dial is set to the shaded area (after  $\bullet \bullet$  setting)

WARNING! Never iron or steam clothes while they are being worn. Use caution and do not direct soleplate at people, animals, etc. Before ironing for the first time fill iron and allow to heat. The iron should be allowed to emit steam for at least 1 minute to remove any impurities.

Press the burst of steam button a few times prior to ironing. This should also be done if iron isn't used regularly.

<sup>\*</sup> depending on model

#### 8 • Auto Steam\*



For steam output to be automatically adjusted to the soleplate temperature, turn the steam control to the position.

#### 9 • Burst of Steam



This feature is ideal for removing stubborn wrinkles or pressing in sharp creases.

When the temperature control is set to a steam setting (•• or •••) the burst of steam can be used. Press the button to generate a burst of steam.

Leave an interval of at least four seconds between bursts.

#### 10 • Vertical Steam



This feature is ideal for hanging clothes, drapes, curtains, etc.

When the temperature control is set to a steam setting vertical steam can be used.

To use feature, hold iron vertically with the tip tilted forward slightly.

Press the burst of steam button repeatedly while moving iron up the garment from bottom to the top.

If vertical steam output starts to decrease tilt iron forward to a horizontal position and then back to vertical to continue.

#### WARNING! Never direct steam at persons or animals.

#### 11 • Spray Setting



This feature is ideal for stubborn wrinkles or set in creases. Ensure there is water in the tank then press the spray button.

Do not spray silk.

#### 12 • Anti-Drip System\*

In order to produce steam, all irons require a high temperature.

If the soleplate is not hot enough some of the water will not turn to steam and can spit or leak from the soleplate.

The Anti-Drip system automatically switches off the steam when ironing at low temperatures to prevent spitting.

#### 13 • 3-Way Smart Automatic Shut-Off\*



If your iron is equipped with Auto-Off and the iron is not moved while plugged in, an internal safety switch will turn it off.

It will turn off in 8 minutes if left vertically or in 30 seconds if left on its soleplate or tipped over.

AUTO-OFF IS NOT AN ON/OFF SWITCH.
ALWAYS UNPLUG WHEN NOT IN USE.

#### 14 • Self Clean

WARNING! Do not use descaling agents. They can damage the lining of the steam chamber.

This feature allows loose mineral deposits and other impurities to be flushed from the soleplate.

Self Clean should be carried out occasionally and at least once a month.



- Fill the iron with tap water to the max mark on the water tank.
- Be sure that variable steam lever is set to minimum.
- Stand the iron on heel and plug in.
- Set thermostat to (•••) setting.
- Once heated, unplug iron.
- Hold iron horizontally over the sink with the soleplate pointing away from body.
- Move the variable steam lever completely to the right and hold in the self clean position for one minute.

WARNING! Doing this will cause steam and hot water to be ejected from the soleplate. Take all proper precautions and hold iron away from body.

- Move the iron gently back and forth and side to side until all water has run through plate.
- Carefully wipe all water and material from the soleplate with an old towel, as the water and minerals can stain the soleplate (although this has no effect on glide or performance).

# WARNING! Iron and soleplate may still be very hot. Exercise care while wiping.

- Place iron on heel and leave to cool.

Before using iron after self cleaning, test steam and burst of steam on an old towel or cloth than can be discarded.

#### 15 • Vapodur Valve

To ensure the iron continues to steam efficiently, open and close the valve a few times after each use. This is done by moving the variable steam control lever left to right a few times.

#### 16 • Anti-Calc System

- Minerals in water can build up in the steam chamber. The Anti-Calc system contains a special material that neutralizes the harmful minerals. This system is designed to extend and maintain the high steam performance of the iron. The cartridge is not replaceable.

#### NOTE: Do not use descaling agents in your iron.

#### 17 • After Use

- 1. Turn the temperature dial to the min setting. Slide the steam lever to the no steam position.
- 2. Unplug the appliance.
- 3. Place the iron on its heel and allow to cool completely.
- 4. Empty water from the appliance before storing.

We recommend emptying the iron when not in use.

5. To protect the soleplate, we recommend storing iron on its heel.

#### 18 • Maintenance and Cleaning

Before cleaning ensure that the appliance is unplugged and completely cooled down.

Never use household cleaners, abrasive cleaning pads or solvents.

#### 19 • Cleaning the Soleplate

Rowenta soleplates have excellent non-stick properties and can be wiped clean when cold.

- In normal use a draggy coating may build up on the soleplate (starch, detergent build-up, burnt synthetic fibers). This can be easily removed by using the Rowenta Soleplate Cleaning Kit or a quality hot iron soleplate cleaner available at most stores. The Rowenta kit is also available through our website: www.rowentausa.com
- To prevent scratching of the soleplate, do not iron over sharp objects (zippers, etc.). Do not place the iron on rough surfaces, e.g. metal iron support, which may scratch the soleplate.

#### 20 • Troubleshooting

Issues	Possible causes	Solutions	
Iron does not heat.	The temperature control is set too low.	Set the temperature control to a higher temperature.	
	Not properly plugged in.	Check that iron is plugged in correctly.	
	Auto-off has engaged*.	Move iron or shake it gently to reactivate.	
Not enough steam.	There is insufficient water in the tank.	Fill the water tank.	
	Iron is not set to a steam setting.	See section called "Steam Ironing".	
	The Anti-Drip function is active *.	Wait for the soleplate to reach correct temperature.	
Iron is emitting a brown or white substance.	Water may need to be changed due to hardness or organic matter.	See section "Water Recommendations". Switch to spring water or mix tap water with spring water.	
	Garment has not been rinsed sufficiently.	Ensure garment is rinsed thoroughly to remove any detergent deposits or chemicals on new garments.	
Iron is leaking.	Over use of burst button.	Allow more time between each burst.	
	Distilled or softened water being used.	See section "Water Recommendations". Switch to spring water or mix tap water with spring water.	
	Overfilled.	Do not fill past max line on tank. Be sure to close filling inlet.	

If troubleshooting does not assist, before consulting the retailer regarding their return/exchange policy, please telephone consumer service at 781-396-0600.

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